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1. ALGERIAN MEDIA HAVE NOT MENTIONED KOREAN QUESTION MEETING, HELD HERE JUNE 25-26, EXCEPT FOR BRIEF ANNOUNCEMENT ON JUNE 21 THAT GATHERING WOULD BE HELD. WE UNDERSTAND FROM FOREIGN JOURNALIST THAT RANKING ALGERIAN AT MEETING WAS ACTING FLN CHIEF MESSAADIA, AND IT IS OUR STRONG IMPRESSION THAT THERE WAS NO FOREIGN MINISTRY PARTICIPATION.

2. AS AT EARLIER BRUSSELS MEETING,

U.S. "REPRESENTATIVE" WAS KAREN GELLEN OF "THE GUARDIAN" IN NEW YORK (NOT CLEAR TO US IF THIS SAME PUBLICATION AS BRITISH GUARDIAN). FOREIGN JOURNALIST HAS SUPPLIED US WITH COPY OF SPEECH GELLEN WAS TO HAVE GIVEN AT MEETING. DOCUMENT CON-

DEMNS U.S. IMPERIALISM AS PRINCIPAL CAUSE OF UNREST IN KOREA AND ASSERTS THAT AMERICAN PEOPLE WILL

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ESCALATE THEIR STRUGGLE AGAINST USG UNTIL ALL FOREIGN TROOPS AND WEAPONS WITHDRAWN FROM KOREA AND KOREAN PEOPLE HAVE OPPORTUNITY FOR FREE SELF-DETERMINATION.

3. WE UNDERSTAND THAT CHINESE HAVE NO DELEGATION AT CONFERENCE ALTHOUGH THEIR LOCAL HSINHUA MAN IS COVERING IT. DPRK DELEGATE IS KIM YONG SEUN, ASST DIRECTOR FOR INTERNAL

AFFAIRS ON CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF KOREAN WORKERS' PARTY.

4. NO INFORMATION CURRENTLY AVAILABLE AS TO WHETHER CONFERENCE WILL PRODUCE NORTH KOREAN STRATEGY FOR 32ND UNGA.

5. COMMENT: SO FAR, ALGERIANS SEEM TO BE HANDLING THIS CONFERENCE IN LOWEST POSSIBLE KEY. AS RECENTLY AS SIX MONTHS AGO, SUCH A GATHERING WOULD ALMOST CERTAINLY HAVE BEEN GIVEN MAJOR PRESS PLAY, AND ANTI-AMERICAN THEMES WOULD HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED EXTENSIVELY. TIMES HAVE CHANGED.HAYNES

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